

**TOWN OF HOLDERNESS  
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING  
MARCH 8 AND MARCH 9, 2016**

To the inhabitants of the Town of Holderness, in the County of Grafton and the State of New Hampshire qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall on Tuesday, the eighth day of March next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at which time the polls shall be opened and the polls shall not close earlier than seven o'clock in the evening to act upon Articles 1 and 2 herein; the third and subsequent Articles to be acted upon commencing at seven thirty o'clock in the evening (or immediately following the annual school district meeting whichever comes later) of the following day, Wednesday, the ninth day of March, 2016 in the auditorium of the Holderness Central School.

**Article 1:** To choose all Town Officers by official ballot:

**Article 2:** 2016 Proposed Zoning Ordinance Changes Article 2. To see how the Town will vote by official ballot on the proposed amendments, as recommended by the Planning Board, to the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

1. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

**Amend Section 300.4.5, Flood Hazard Overlay District, to clarify which Special Exceptions are permitted; amend the time of year that structures with wheels are permitted on properties; and delete archaic language which references the cost of flood insurance?**

2. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

**Amend Section 400.22, Outdoor Wood-Fired Hydronic Heaters, to clarify the meaning in the second sentence of the Section by replacing the words, *be applicable to a*, with the words, *meet the standards of a*, and update the Section per State and Federal law?**

3. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 3 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

**Amend Section 400.23.4.3, Small Wind Energy Systems, to clarify that these systems are accessory to residential uses consistent with the definition in this Section and to revise language stating that decommissioning occurs if the system is not *used for a period of twelve consecutive months* instead of *not in use for a period of 1 year*?**

4. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 4 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

**Amend Section 525.3.13, Groundwater Protection, to strike the words, *and soils data; boring logs may be submitted separately* from the definition of seasonal high water table?**

5. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 5 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

**Amend Section 1300, Definitions, Recreational Camping Park or Recreational Campground, to strike the duplicative wording starting in the third line of the definition?**

6. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 6 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

**Amend entire Section 575, Telecommunications Facilities, to comply with State and Federal law?**

**Article 3:** To see if the Town will vote to accept the reports of all Town Officers and Committees.

**Article 4:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the Budget Committee's recommended sum of Two Million Three Hundred Sixty Six Thousand Eight Hundred and Eighty Two Dollars (\$2,366,882) for general municipal operations. Said sum does not include special or individual articles elsewhere within this warrant.

**Recommended by the Select Board; (5 yeas, 0 nays) and Budget Committee; (5 yeas, 0 nays)**

**Article 5:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Hundred and Three Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$403,500) to be placed in the following Capital Reserve Funds:

WHITE OAK POND DAM	\$2,500
FIRE/RESCUE VEHICLES	\$40,000
ROAD RECONSTRUCTION	\$150,000
LIBRARY BUILDING	\$5,000
MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS	\$30,000
REVALUATION	\$35,000
FIRE EQUIPMENT	\$5,000
PUBLIC WORKS VEHICLES	\$46,000

CONSERVATION	\$5,000
POLICE CRUISER	\$26,000
TRANSFER STATION EQUIPMENT	\$2,000
EMPLOYEE HEALTH INS	\$5,000
TOWN OFFICE IT FUND	\$10,000
LIBRARY IT FUND	\$10,000
MASTER PLAN CRF	\$5,000
EMPLOYEE POST BENEFIT EXPENDABLE TRUST	\$15,000
NEW CABLE TV SERVICE EXPANSION CRF	\$12,000
TOTAL	\$403,500

**Recommended by the Select Board; (5 yeas, 0 nays) and Budget Committee; (5 yeas, 0 nays)**

**Article 6:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred Forty Six Thousand Two Hundred and Six Dollars (\$346,206) for the following Capital projects and to fund this appropriation by authorizing the Select Board to withdraw the sums indicated from the following Capital Reserve Funds designated for these purposes:

Road Reconstruction: \$150,000 (from the Road Reconstruction Capital Reserve Fund)

Vehicle Exhaust Venting System for Fire Department Equipment Bays: \$55,400 (from Municipal Buildings Capital Reserve Funds)

Revaluation (cycle inspections): \$25,000 (from Revaluation Capital Reserve Funds)

Computer Workstations and Computer Hardware: \$10,806 (from Town Office IT Funds Capital Reserve Funds)

Ford F-350 with Plow and Sander for the Highway Department: \$55,000 (from Public Works Vehicles Capital Reserve Funds)

Repair and Refurbish the Highway Department Grader: \$40,000 (from Public Works Vehicles Capital Reserve Funds)

Construction of Support pads for two of the Transfer station Roll Offs: \$10,000 (from the Transfer Station Equipment Fund)

**Recommended by the Select Board; (5 yeas, 0 nays) and Budget Committee; (5 yeas, 0 nays)**

**Article 7:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eight Hundred and Seventy Five Thousand Dollars (\$875,000) to design and construct a new addition to the Holderness Free Library and authorize an amount not to exceed One Hundred and Ninety Five Thousand Dollars (\$195,000) to come from the unexpended fund balance as of 6/30/16. The balance of Six Hundred and Eighty Thousand Dollars (\$680,000) to come from private donations to the Library Trustees. There will be no money raised by general taxation.

**Recommended by the Select Board; (5 yeas, 0 nays) and Budget Committee; (5 yeas, 0 nays)**

**Article 8:** To transact any other business that can legally come before the meeting

Given under our hands this 8th day of February in the year of our lord Two Thousand and Sixteen.

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Shelagh Connelly, Chair

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John Laverack, Vice-Chair

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Samuel Brickley, Select Board

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Peter Francesco, Select Board

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